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ral of Religion in Bath, N. H. For the Boston Recorder. Walls, - I beg the privilege, thro' dium of your paper, to lay before ristian public, an account of what ere to be a work of God in this We have been greatly edified and sed by the accounts of this nature. hich your pages are so abundantly d; and in return, we hope we fresh the hearts of others. We all all those who fear the Lord, hath done for our souls, that they olo us to magnify & bless his name. charch in this place was organiz-191. Although favored occasionwith the labors of several approved ters of the gospel, particularly Mr. ince Estabrook, who ended his ong this people, it was not till at a pastor was ordained. At that was composed of 22 members. lard had so far smiled on us as to Hed nearly 200 to our number. sly to the late revival, all of whom mitted on a professed hope, that agenerating influence of the spirthey had passed from death unin the year 1811, we were ta "orarevival of considerable extent. idded 77 members to the church. and 1818 we had some gracious of divine favor. In the former added, in the latter 24. The 19 was a melancholly year. Our Father saw that we stood in need isement. In the exercise of infiidom, he was pleased to visit us rod. Events of a very humbling idive nature occurred, which led and people to much searching of to much prayer and supplication. amest desires were felt for the miy of Zion. Many prayers were in public and private for this deevent. At times there were very de appearances. Clouds hovered is which portended plentiful showtfor a long time, that faith and pamight be tried, expectation failed. e set time in the divine counsels, for ing the attention of this people, was econd Sabbath in September last. hat day, although there was nothing to garance calculated to excite uncommon olion, three persons, during public worheads of families ; - were among the egular attendants on public worship; were near neighbors. Their anxithe salvation of their souls was is to excite the attention of the nighborhood, and many more beire. " what must we do to be During the week, a conference inted at one of their houses, to direct invitation was respectfully the whole neighborhood. A full ann assembly came together. God hus of a truth. The dread of the We felt as on the of the eternal world. We prayed orted as persons who felt the valeimmortal soul. Every heartsfelt mevening never to be forgotten. tked it then, and since have frerecurred to it as an interesting era ligious history of this place. On the Sabbath the public assembly was y full, and unusually solemn. The already alluded to, were there. ery appearance was calculated to the mind. Their demeanor and laces indicated a change of mind; y took knowledge of them, that been with Jesus. On the Wedowing, a meeting of the church led, that we might unitedly humselves before God,—bewail our te him, -make our confession,out our hearts in earnest supplithe continuance and extension fork which was manifestly begun. fully a refreshing season from the of the Lord. We confessed and our lukewarm spirit. We imgiveness. We asked for more The church on that occasion, in sence of a full assembly, solemnly Gorenant. Several resolutions, and in humble firm reliance in length, were adopted. We regave ourselves to the Lord, and hother. In so doing we enjoyed on from the Holy One, and ever have gone on our way rejoicing. Beek or two, our religious conferere confined to the neighborhood, he attention commenced. We dan eye towards other places, and B possible appointed conferences eighborhood in town; and visithouse to house, testifying relowards God, and faith towards esus Christ, to every individual. al months, it was truly a wonder-The spirit of conviction seemalmost the whole population. meeting was crowded, and every pen. Every day brought to nobew trophy of Almighty power. every succeeding day seemed

exercises of mind, of those who had be- | ed no very favorable disposition towards come new creatures. In relation to one subject they were perfectly the same. They all saw sin to be that abominable thing which God hates, and they were divinely taught to hate it too. Formerly they regarded sin as a light and trivial matter; now they felt it to be a burden too heavy to bear. All sin looked odiously, but ingratitude seemed to wear the blackest hue. Many endured pungent distress in remembrance of past sins, but the remembrance of abused goodness, was a poison that drank up the spirit. From the burden of this, and every other sin, the good Lord was pleased very speedily to deliver many. Christ was revealed in not a few, the hope of glory. These, forthwith began to rejoice in the hope of the glory of God, and having tasted that the Lord was gracious, they began to encourage others to look to the Lamb of God, who taketh away the sins of the world.

Here it is pleasing to record with gratitude the labors of love with which we were favored from all the neighboring ministers. Mr. Worcester of Peacham, Mr. Powers of Haverbill, and Mr. Blake of Piermont, spen, more time with us than any others. God, I hope has given all of them seals of their ministry, which will be their joy in the day of the Lord.

At a very early period of the revival, persons who were brought to the anowledge of the truth, expressed a desire make profession of their faith. We remembered the day of pentecost, and delayed their admission no longer than was necessary to gain evidence of their conversion to God. Our monthly examinations and monthly communions have been peculiarly precious seasons since October last. The number that have been added to the church is 104. Several have united with other denominations, and there are still between 70 and 80, whose prevailing hope is, that they have passed from death to life, who have not made profession of religion. Those who have confessed Christ, are of all ages, ranging from eleven to eighty. They are of all classes of socie-

ty. As to sex, they are exactly divided. The beneficial effects of this special visitation of the divine Spirit are very visiible on the different classes of the inhabitants of this place. The first and most visible is on the new converts themselves. Formerly they sustained very various characters; but however great the difference as to external appearance, they were all at heart alienated from God. They lived without God and without hope in the world. Now we have reason to hope, they are new creatures, old mind, and acted accordingly. things are passed away, and all things are become new. The love of sin is destroyed in their hearts. They have imbibed the spirit of Christ. They walk in newness of life, adorning the gospel of God our Savior. In the judgement of charity, we are constrained to believe that instead of loving themselves, they love God supremely. As to external relations, we see a very manifest change. They have become better husbands, better wives, better parents, better children, better neighbors, better members of society. They have become open worshippers of the God of heaven. These are present appearances; how many may endure unto the end, He only who looks into futurity can know.

The effect is scarcely less visible on the former professors of religion. Many of them have awaked as out of sleep. They have taken the livliest interest in the prosperity of the good work. Those whose mouths were formerly shut, have been opened to speak forth the praises of redeeming love. The timid, whose fears prevented them formerly from taking any part in the social exercises of religion, now abound in all utterance. Besides these special effects, a very general reformation is visible on the public morals of the people.

There are not a few among us, who, for a time promised well. They were deeply convinced of sin. They began to feel, that for sin the wrath of God was coming on the children of disobedience. They began to implore mercy, and to flee from the wrath to come. But they had hardly commenced the christian race, before they stopped short. We fear they loved some darling sin, which induced them to say to the spirit of the Lord, "go thy way at this time, when I have a more convenient season I will call for thee." For these my heart aches whilst I write.

With respect to some of them, the season of grace may be past. It is possible that having done despite to the spirit of grace, the Lord may have said, as in another case, " they are joined to their idols, let them alone." Let not this remark be applied to all who are not very confident about their conversion. It only refers to those who have cast off the fear of God, and restrain prayer before him. There are among us many who have strong doubts of their safe state, who nevertheless manifest such tenderness of conscience and such ready obedience to the commands of Christ, as leads to the hope, that they are even now among the saved.

re awfully solemn than the prereason of the increase of the We have mel with little or nothing of of those who were enquiring what the nature of reproach or opposition. hald do to be saved, and the punis true that some have stood at a distance, the convictions of many of them. considering whereunto this would grow, be tedious to relate the varied and have uttered predictions that indicat-

the work. But generally, those who did not choose to unite with us, were either silent, or expressed cordial good will. In this respect, indeed, we have always been a happy people. There are few inhabitants who have, at any time, been disposed to reproach vital piety. The providence of God, has so ordered, that the whole of those persons who occupy prominent stations as magistrates, men of wealth, and professional characters in the town, are favorably disposed towards practical religion. Whilst but a few of these have seen it good to go along with us, we have enjoyed the good will of all. Pure and undefiled religion will flourish, although all men of might should offer their most decided opposition; yet it deserves to be noticed with gratitude, when we find conspicuous characters otherwise disposed.

It would be tedious to notice, minutely, every circumstance worthy of consideration in this revival. One more, however, must be recorded. In a certain neighborhood, all the wives were persons of piety. Their husbands were all irreligious. These females were given to prayer. For this purpose they met together. Their husbands were always the subjects of prayer. Their prayers were answered. Every husband, we trust, has become a Christian indeed.

The spirit of discord and alienation has not entered among us. Some christians of the Methodist and Baptist denominations' reside among us, with whom we live in harm. by. It is true there are certain doctrines and practices in which we disagree with them. But we discourage disputation, knowing that it is never productive of good. Very extensive attention to religion has prevailed an ong the Methodists in several adjacent towns. We have reason to belive that by their instrumentality, many sinners have bee? brought to repentance.

On the subject of baptism, we have had no desputation. A goodly number of those who became new creatures, preferred to be baptized by immersion. They enjoyed that privilege. Others as conscientiously preferred being "sprinkled with clean water." They likewise enjoyed their privilege. Both are manifestly partakers of the same faith, the same hope, and the same baptism. In other things we were agreed; and we did not see why we should separate on account of this difference, more than if some of us believed that we might eat all things, whilst others would only eat herbs. Every man was fully persuaded in his own

The effusion of the divine spirit, with which we have been favored, furnishes a strong proof of the sovereignty of divine dispensations. This people had been earnestly entreated for years to become reconciled to God. They had been told that a holy God had bound his creatures to the obedience of a holy law; that all flesh had corrupted themselves, and uniformly failed in obedience to that law. They had been told that in consequence, every soul was in a state of condemnation -condemned already, and stood exposed to the severer condemnation of eternity. The work and the character of the Mediater had been set before them. The necessity, the absolute necessity of regeneration, in order to see or enter into the kingdom of God, had been invariably stated. They had been constantly reminded of the inefficiency of morality, falsely so called, aside from holiness of heart and life. Faith, repentance, and obedience, had been often enforced. These, and kindred doctrines, had been the constant themes of the stated and occasional ministrations of the sanctuary among this people. But all to little purpose till God gave efficiency to means. It was He who will not suffer his word to return to him void, who at last impressed these truths on the hearts of men, and immediately his word had free course and was glorified. To his name, unreservedly be the praise.

It has already been stated that in 1805, the church consisted of 22 members. Since that time 301 members have been added. Twenty-seven by letter, the residue by profession. Of the whole, 25 are dead-70 have been dismissed to other churches-28 live at a distance-3 have been excommunicated, and 1 has withdrawn,-leaving 196 active members.

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Domestic Religious Intelligence.

Extracts from a Narrative of the State of Religion, within the bounds of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church; and of the General Associations of Connecticut, Massachnsetts, and New Hampshire, during the last year.

The General Assembly have now under their care, sixty-two Presbyteries; fifty of which have sent up annual reports of thirteen hundred churches within their respective bounds. With the subjects of those reports our churches are already familiar. The interest, therefore, which these subjects will excite, can be derived only from the charms which the providence and the grace of God may from time to time throw around them.

some of the Presbyterial reports direct us, of the duties of family and social prayer; coldness and indifference on the part of professing Christians; and the want of labourers in the gospel vineyard.

In some of our bounds, exertions are making, with a zeal worthy of a better cause, to propagate a modification of infidelity under the name of Unitarianism or Socinianism: and as there is an aptitude of the human heart to entertain the grossest errors, we regard it as an imperious duty to warn our congregations against every attempt to bring to their notice such doctrines as deny the Lord who bought them.

Immoralities in practice, have naturally, and in many places, flowed from error in doctrine. The intemperate use of ardent liquors, and the profanation of the Lord's day, are particularly mentioned, as too prevalent among those whom the "grace of God teaches, that denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, they should live soberly, righteously and godly."

The complaints of several of the Presyteries, of the want of a sufficient number of labourers in the gospel vineyard, have been truly affecting. Entire districts of country to the South and West, comprising a population of thousands of souls, are represented as destitute of ministrations of the word, from any denomination of Christians. In one Presbytery, in which there are twenty-eight regularly organized churches, eighteen are destitute of the regular administration of the word and ordinances; in another, consisting of nearly forty churches, there are only eleven ministers; and, in another, out of twenty-eight, sixteen are vacant. Their lamentation is, "the harvest is great, but the labourers are few;" and their cry to their Christian brethren is, "Come over, and help us."

While on these accounts the Assembly have cause for lamentation, and call upon their churches to sympathize with, and pray for, those among whom the above-mentioned evils exist; they also call upon their churches to unite with them, in sentiments and expressions of gratitude and praise to God, for his great, his unmerited, and his continued goodness. We have probably never heard so much, nor had so much to tell of the wonderful works of God amidst the churches under our care.

Outward attention to the means of grace has, with few exceptions, every where increased. Many new congregations have been organized, and new places of worship erected. Biblical and catechetical instructions have been generally attended to. Baptized children have in many congregations been convened with the parents who dedicated them to God, and been solemnly and affectionately reminded of their obligations to be the Lord's. The system of Sabbath school instruction has been pursued with great and increased success. Thousands, who, but for these institutions, would have grown up in ignorance and vice, been the grief of the church, and the curse of the community, are now taught their obligations to God, and fitted to be useful members of society.

The monthly concert of prayer is generally attended through the Presbyterian church and the other churches connected with the General Assembly; and it is found that this extensive union of prayer for the influences of the Holy Spirit upon the church of Christ, and the gospel of salvation, appears to be attended with the special blessing of God.

Additions have been made during the last year, to the churches from which re-ports have been received, of seven thousand one hundred and eighty.six souls.

In the Presbytery of Rochester, the congregations of East Riga, Ogden, Rochester Ridgway and Shelby, have received special communications of Divine grace; the fruits of which are seen in the conversion of upwards of 160 souls. In the Presbytery of Ontario, a work of revival is progressing in the congregations of Lima and West-Bloomfield, which promises favourable results. In the Presbytery of Cayuga, the towns of Brutus and Auburn have shared extensively the effusions of the Spirit. Nearly 200 have been hopefully converted, and many more in both these towns are under serious impressions. The work has extended into adjacent towns; and Skaneateles and Elbridge begin to share the effusions of the Spirit.

In the Presbytery of Onandaga, the congregations of Homer, Truxton, Smithfield, Virgil, Preble, De Ruyter, the second congregation in Lenox, Cazenovia, the second congregation in Onandaga, and the third in Manlius, have been visited by refreshing showers of Divine grace; and more thon 360 have been added to the communion of the church.

In the Presbytery of Onedia, 283 have made a profession of religion, as the result of a season of refreshing from the presence of the Lord, in the congregations of Mount Vernoon, Union, Westmoreland, Vernon, Utica, Holland Patent, Trenton, Litchfield, and New Hartford.

In the Presbytery of Otsego, the congregation of Cherry Valley has had an extenive revival, during which 129 have been added to the church; about 50 hopeful converts have not yet united themselves

The sources of lamentation to which with the church, and 50 more are still under deep convictions. In Cooperstown 25 are errors in doctrine and morals; neglect have obtained hopes of an interest in Christ, and many others are under deep religious impressions; and in Springfield a work of grace has begun, which is still progressing.

The Presbytery of Troy, reports an instance of special refreshing in the congregational church in Bennington, Vermont, which, though not in their connexion is under the pastoral care of one of their members. In that place from 25 to 30 persons have, in the course of a few months, given hopeful evidence of a saving change. A very respectable accession has also been made to the church in Lansingburgh, and 88 persons have been added to the visible church in Nassau, as the fruit of a work of grace.

The Presbytery of Albany, have presented a most interesting and animating report to the Assembly. This report is printed: and the Assembly regret that its length is too great to admit its incorporation with this Narrative. They however recommend its perusal to all the churches which can obtain a copy; confident that it will gladden every christian heart. The additions to the churches, during the year 1820, as reported to that Presbytery, amount to nearly one thousand four hundred ? Surely the Lord hath done great things for them, whereof we are glad.

In the Presbytery of Columbia, an outpouring of the Holy Spirit has been experienced in New Lebanon and Chatham; and in Catskill, Cairo, and the city of Hudson, a good work has begun, which is still progressing : and we hope we shall not be considered officious, when we gratefully mention, that the Dutch Reformed congregations of Coxsackie, Kinderhook, and Claverack, which are in the vicinity of that Presbytery, have been also blessed with an outpouring of the Holy Spirit.

The Presbytery of Hudson, state that most of their congregations have been copiously watered with showers of Divine grace during the past year: and that the fruit has been the addition of 23 members to the church of Deerpark, 41 to that of Scotchtown, 110 to the church of Hopewell, 76 at Goshen, 199 at Bloominggrove, 57 at Ridgebury, 140 at Chester, 40 at Bethlehem, 196 at Westtown, 69 at Hampstead, 69 at Greenbush, and 17 at Forrestburgh, a congregation recently formed. making a total of one thousand & thirty-seven.

In the Presbytery of New-York, the Brick church has had a revival, which has resulted in the hopeful conversion of about eighty souls.

In the Presbytery of Jersey, the church of Elizabethtown have added about 6 a the fruits of the revival of the preceding year, and in Orange, and particularly Bloomfield, a good work seems to have commenced. One hundred and fifty at least appear to have been awakened; and of these about 80 give evidence of hopeful conversion. The revival yet progresses.

The Presbytery of Newton report, that during the past year, one hundred and eighth five persons, who before were " strangers from the covenant of promise." and enemies in their hearts, have been visited with the renewing and consoling influences of grace, and received into the communion of the church; and they particularly mention the church at Newton, as having been visited with the special influences of the Holy Spirit; and that 64 persons of different ages and conditions, have already become the hopeful subjects of this work.

In the Presbytery of Philadelphia, the church in the Northern Liberties, and the 3d Presbyterian church in the city, have been favoured with special manifestations of the divine presence. In the former, 60 have offered as candidates for an approaching communion; and in the latter, 73 communicants have been received during the year, 48 of whom are the fruits of a revival which is still progressing.

The Presbytery of Grand River report, that 15 townships, comprising 11 churches, have been visited with special revivals of religion; that to several others the Lord has vouchsafed a more than usual measure of his Spirit; and 253 souls have been added to the communion of the church, and the work is still progressing in several other towns.

In the Presbytery of Portage, the church of Euclid has been favoured with a revival, and about 100 are mentioned as the subjects, and in six or seven other congregations there is special attention.

The Presbytery of Lexington, state, that in the missionary field within their bounds, there has been a general awakening; that in many instances convictions have been of the most deep and pungent kind; and that it has not been unusual for whole assemblies to be bathed in tears during the delivery of a discourse.

The Presbytery of Lancaster state, that amidst the moral desolations within their bounds, a few favoured spots have received the cultivation of the Holy Spirit: that on Marietta, Waterford, Belfre, Adams, and Wooster, the dews of heavenly grace. have descended, and resulted, in their charitable helief, in the saving conversion of mathy souls.

The blessed effects of these outpourings of the Spirit have been seen in giving a new aspect to the moral state of sucrety .

the multiplication of and regular attend- | priests, and were recommended to the | remained in one place, where was the a ice upon meetings for social prayer; and a growing liberality towards the support of the gospel and benevolent institutions throughout our land.

In addition to these wonderful and heartcheering events, the Assembly rejoice that they are also able to inform the churches, that the state of religion, in the different colleges within our bounds, and the bounds | sed their approbation. of those who are connected with us, is most encouraging. There are about 40 hopefully pious youth in Union College, Schenectady; in the College at Princeton Rabbi. Preparations were then made for there are 25; in Dartmouth College, New Hampshire, there are about 70; in Jefferson College, Pennsylvania, and the University of North Carolina, there are several more; in Yale College, at New Haven, there are about 90; and in Hamilton College 48, professors of religion.

The hope that most of these will probably devote themselves to the service of God, in the gospel of his Son, affords a most pleasing prospect to the American

shurches.

The Theological Seminary at Andover, tontains 112 students, and is in a flourishing condition. The Foreign Mission School at Cornwall in Connecticut, contains more than 30 pupils, who speak eleven different languages, a number of whom are hope-

fully pious.

The Theological Seminary at Princeton, under the care of the General Assembly, continues to enjoy the smiles of Divine Providence. 1t contains at present 73 students, among whom the spirit of missions is increasing. From these fountains of sacred learning, we trust many streams will soon issue to gladden the city of our God; and that when the cry of the vacant congregations within our bounds, and from other destitute parts of our country and of the world for help, shall reach the ears of these pious vonth; and especially when they hear the interrogation of their Lord and Master, "saying, Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" they may all answer in the spirit of Isaiah, " Here am I, Lord, send me."

### PALESTINE MISSION.

The following extracts from the Journal of the Missionaries (copied from the Missionary Herald for June) though not of so late a date as some already published, did not come to hand till quite lately.]

Notices of Smyrna and the Vicinity.

March 11, 1820. We accompanied Mr. Perkins to the house of the American agent, Mr. Wilkinson, and presented our letters. He spoke much in favor of our benevolent plans, and assured us of every assistance in his power. Mr. W. is an Englisman, but has resided several years in Smyrna.

12. Visited the sailors on board an American vessel, the Messenger. We read to them the 25th chapter of St. Matthew, and exhorted them to immediate preparation for the judgment of the great day. We closed the interview by prayer. They all appeared very attentive and disposed to serious reflection.

21. The meadows begin to assume the beauty and verdure of spring. Fruit trees are in full bloom, and the gardens covered

with flowers.

22. Visited a Greek church in the city. Service had commenced when we entered. The church is small, but contained a considerable assembly of people, who were employed incessantly in crossing themselves, and bowing, many of them quite to the floor. The Archbishop and Bishop were present, wearing the accustomed clerical dress, and uniting in the ceremonies of worship. Candles were burning in different directions. There were many paintings, but no images. The church is inclosed by a high wall, and affords a convenient and safe retreat from the noise of the city.

From the Greek church we went directly to the only Armenian church in Smyrna; but as the services were closing, we saw nothing respecting the mode of conducting worship. The house is large, and more elegant than the one, which we have just visited ;- contains two apartments, one for men, and the other for women; -and abounds with paintings of various descriptions. 'Around it is a large grave-yard, covered with slabs of white marble, placed horizontally, upon which are inscriptions in the Armenian character. The date of one we found to be 1200.

Returning home we called a moment at a Greek hospital, a very fine edifice, with many convenient apartments for the sick. In one room we saw 20 or 25 sick people. all provided with articles suited for their pecessities.

21. The weather is again cold. Mountains in the vicinity covered with snow.

25. After recitation, an aged Jew, named Abraham, came to our room for the purpose of conducting us to the Synagogues. After hearing him read part of a chapter in the Hebrew Bible, we accompanied him to a distant part of the city. When we arrived he left us at the door, and went up into the assembly. In a few minutes he returned bringing with him another Jew, who could speak a little English, and with whom we had been acquainted in the house of Mr. Vanlennep. With him we entered through a crowd of people to the place of worship. The assembly contained nearly 500 persons. . In the centre of the room was an altar,\* elevated 4 or 5 feet, and sufficiently large to contain ten or fifteen persons. The grand Rabbin by name Raphael, a man of perhaps 70 years, was standing in the edtar, delivering a discourse in the Hebrew language. As we entered, he stop-ped, and enquired of our guide, (as he afterwards informed us.) who we were? The guide replied, "They are American

house of Mr. Vanlennep." " Can they understand Hebrew ?" No, but I will interpret the discourse. The Rabbi then said, "bid them welcome." The discourse was resumed, and continued for half an hour, uttered sometimes with a loud voice and then so low as scarcely to be heard. The assembly by replying Amen, expres-

The discourse being concluded, the people, one by one, ascended the " pulpit of wood" and kissed the hand of the prayers. Each individual was furnished from a wardrobe with a large camel's hair shawl, to be placed over the head. The holy commandments were brought forward with much ceremony, and read with a lond voice. Our guide informed as that a part of the discourse related to the captivity of the children of Israel in

Returning we visited four other synagogues, much like the one already described. At one of them, we saw a table spread for the poor, and several individuals partaking of the fruits of benevolence. The whole number of synagogues in Smyrna is nine; and the number of Jews is estimated to be from 10 to 15,000.

31. At half past three attended religious service in the Catholic Imperial church. The sermon in Italian related to the subject of the crucifixion. After sermon a grand procession entered the shurch at the east door, and passed out at the west. It consisted of perhaps 200 people, bearing torches, paintings, and images. The first painting was designed to represent our Savior carrying his cross; the second, our Savior on the cross; the third his interment. .The exercises were conducted with an endless variety of forms and ceremonies.

April 2. The Lord's day. Attended worship in the British chapel. The Lord's supper was administered by the Rev. Mr. Williamson to about 40 communicants. We accepted the invitation to commune with them.

3. Devoted the day to fasting and prayer. The Rev. Mr. Williamson united with us, in our religious exercises.

Sabbath, 9. At an early hour, there commenced a heavy firing of cannon, which continued most of the day. This is called " the resurrection morning." Ceremonies have been continued in the churches during all the last night.

10. In company with the Rev. Mr. Williamson visited the Greek archbishop. He regretted that he could not converse with us, except through an interpreter, bade us welcome, and made a number of enquiries with respect to America, and to our designs in visiting Asia.

15. Mr. B. a catholic, the young gentleman who has for some time read with us in the Italian Testament, made his farewell visit, expecting early in the morning to depart for Constantinople. As a token of regard for his future and everlasting happiness, we presented him with an Italian Testament.

22. Visited the Imperial consul, and delivered our letters. He gave us the usual assurances of his approbation and as-

May 2. Visited a Greek school, which is der the protection of the British consul, Mr. Werry. The house occupied by the school was given for that purpose by a benevolent Greek, about 80 years ago. The whole number of scholars, it is said, is 400; a few of whom are supported entirely by the fund : others receive a part of their expenses. A very respectable library is attached to the school.

8. Received information, that a number of respectable gentlemen in this city are expecting to set sail for Scio tomorrow evening. They invited us to accompany them. This opportunity we considered peculiarly favorable, especially as one of them converses a little in the English language. Accordingly, we made preparations for our departure. As it is scarcely possible to obtain a residence in a private family, we found it indispensable to procure a man to accompany us, who might not only provide things necessary for our comfort, but might also act in the capacity of an interpreter. We engaged a Greek, a poor man, who has devoted much of his time to such employments, for three piasters a day, about 40 cents, although he at first demanded six.

This afternoon, Mr. Cohen, a Jew of distinction, came to visit us; and to request of us some books, which he understood we had for distribution. Mr. C. has travelled considerably in Europe, and is able to converse in fourteen different languages. After a little conversation our attention was directed to the evidences of Christianity. His objections were the same, which are in the mouth of every Jew : "Our Savior's humble appearance ;-his neglect of his parents; his predictions with respect to his appearance at the destruction of Jerusalem, &c." We produced the following passages, to prove that the Messiah of the Scriptures must have made his appearance in the flesh long before the present day. Gen. xlix, 10. The sceptre shall not depart from Judah, nor a law-giver from between his feet, until Shiloh come. " This passage," said he, " lacknowledge, refers to the Messiah, but the sceptre has not yet departed; it exists in the government of the Rabbins." Has there been an unbroken line of governors, through this long captivity of more than 1700 years? He replied "I dont know." It must be proved that the sceptre has never departed from Judah. Now, it is not evident, and do not the Rabins themselves confess it, that for centuries Judah has remained without a king, and without a priest ? And after the destruction of Jerusalem, when persecution was so violent, and the ravages so

dreadful, that scarcely two of that nation

sceptre of Judah?

There are numerous passages of Scripture which affirm, that the Messiah is to arise from the tribe of Judah. Isaiah xi. 1 " And there shall come forth a rod out of Jesse, and a branch shall grow out of his roots." At present, all distinction of tribes is lost, and irrecoverably lost too. Now admit that the Messiah has not come, how can it be known, that he is from the tribe of David? And if a man should arise and call himself the Messiah, how can the Jews know that he is the predicted ' Rod out of Jesse.

There is a passage in Daniel ix, 26. "After three score and two weeks shall Messiah be cut off, but not for himself." To whom does this refer? "God knows," was the reply. Now give this passage the most liberal interpretation you please, and still you will make it necessary for the Messiah to appear in the flesh many centuries before the present day. Besides, from the time of the going forth of one commandment to restore and build Jerusalem was exactly the prophetic period mentioned by Daniel. But at any rate, the time is past; and the expectations of the Jews are vain.

"Finally, said he, "I will tell you plainly, I dont believe a Savior has come, or ever will come. I once endeavoured to establish a new religion, to be called the religion of Abraham. I would throw away all the Prophets, all the Pentateuch, and all the commandments, excepting these words, " thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart.' To my own sentiments I gained 400 proselytes : but I was obliged to abandon the design, on account of a violent persecution. But I have not the least confidence in the sentiments of the Jews.

We observed, that this subject is a momentous one. If a mistake be made here is is fatal. The everlasting interests of the soul are deeply concerned in this question. After about two hours, he left us to lament ever the blindness that has happened to Israel. (To be continued.)

### OSAGE MISSION.

The New-York Missionary Register contains the following extracts of private letters from members of the Osage Union Mission.]

FROM MR. REDVIELD.

Union, Dec. 4, 1820. When I wrote last, I was among the Cherokees, 200 miles from this place. This distance we travelled on foot, and found it a long and tedious journey through the wilderness. When night overtook us, we halted, kindled a large fire, and, wrapping ourselves in our blankets, slept by the side of it. We brought with us on our pack horses, hard bread, which lasted us most of the way. When our store was exhausted, we lived on venison, which our hunter procured in great abundance. During this journey, the Lord was better to us than our fears, fo notwithstanding we were greatly exposed by sleeping upon the ground in the open air, yet the health of the whole party was preserved. There is a garrison within a hundred miles of

this place, where there is a settlement of white people. At that settlement wepurchased our stock We have found but few of the Osages at home. The principal men are gone on a hunt, but are expected in soon. I have been much delighted with the ludians we found here. They received us apparently with the greatest joy. They are a noble looking people. The men are six feet in height, and agreeably to the old saying, as atrait as an Indian. Their countenances are free and

open, and bespeak strong minds. very beautiful. It is a prairie of three or four hundred acres, on which there is an excellent spring. The soil is rich and easily cultivated. A crop of corn, about a hundred bushels, was raised here by a trader, last season, which we

have been enabled to purchase.

The Osages possess a beautiful tract of country, very fertile and healthy; but they know nothing about cultivation. The country abounds with buffalo, bear and deer. The buffalo is superior to any beef I have ever tasted. In raising stock, we shall have no need of hay. Cattle and horses will feed on cane, which continues green through the year, and which grows in abundance on the low grounds. Within one mile of our station, there are salt springs, where Mr. Filbrook, lately a merchant in New-York, is preparing to manufacture salt.

Christmas Day .- As I have had no opportunity to send this letter, I can now add, that the Osage Chief came to visit us a few days ago. We had a very interesting interview. I could scarcely refrain from shedding tears, during his first address. "To me," said he, "this is a glorious merning. I am glad in my heart that I ever lived to see this day. Now my children will be taught to read, and to live like white people. We want to learn your religion—it is better than ours." His speech was made up of good sense, and delivered with great emphasis. and in the most feeling manner. Brother Chapman has begun to learn the language of the Osages, that he may preach to them in their own tongue

Feb. 3, 1821. We have five log cabins nearly finished, and have yet to build a kitchen and store-house. The month of January was cold. We had snow about a foot deep. The snow, however, has already left us, and the weather is moderate. The water in Grand River is now ten feet higher than when we arrived.

> FROM MR. WM. C. REQUA. Union, Arkansas Territory, Feb. 4, 1821.

Since our arrival here we have been busily employed in erecting buildings. We have near ly completed five log dwellings, which we design for our abode until we can get better. Our station is about twenty-five miles above the mouth of Grand River, on the left bank as we ascend the stream. Our establishment is about a mile and a half from the river, and about the same distance from an excellent salt spring, and is situated on a prairie of excellent arable land. [The writer here gives an account of the first interview with the Osage Chief, nearly as stat-

ed by Mr. Redfield, and then adds-Joy sat on his countenance, as he pronounced these words, and his looks expressed more than

he could utter. In this region there is comparatively little timber. There are prairies of some hundred miles in extent, on which there is scarcely a tree to be seen, excepting on the banks of the rivers or smaller streams which flow through the country. The land is not level; but hills and dales are to be seen in every direction. So far as re-lates to the fertilty of the soil, it is, figurataly

speaking, a land flowing with milk and honey; and as to the latter, it is almost literally true Captain Proyer, our only neighbor, cut down te-tween forty and fifty bee trees, near his house, during the last season; and we have cut down several since we have been here.

I can now inform you, that the health of the Mission Family is much better than it has been.

They are all enjoying a good degree of health O what reason have I to be thankful to God for his goodness to me! I have had less of sickness than any other member of the Family, and at present enjoy as good health as I ever did. We have been more than four months from the Mission Family, and a much longer time from our relatives and friends in the land of our nativity. We have here no society to enjoy, but that of our own little circle. We are in a land of darkness, where the light of the gospel has never shone; where Jesus was never known; where the Sabbath was never regarded; where no temple was ever erected for the worship of God; but where ignorance, superstition and idolatry reign. The many and inestimable privileges your enjoy, my friend, call loudly for your gratitude to God. Consider the state of these poor unenlightened savages of the forest, who rove about in quest of food; who sometimes range the woods from the rising to the setting sun, and find nothing to satisfy their hunger. Some of them, since we have been here, have been gone two or three days in pursuit of game, and, returning without any, have called upon us, and exclaimed, in their own tongue, "Good white men, we are hungry, we want to eat." Although my dear friend, you are at a great distance from them, yet you can pray for them; you can pray for us who are among them; yeu can pray that God would grant to them the blessings of civilization and Christionity, and make us the instruments in his hand, of accomplishing the purposes of his grace towards them; for the heathen shall be given to Christ for an inheritance and the attermost parts of the earth for his possession. O! when shall the happy period come, when the wilderness shall blossom as the rose; when the solitary places shall be glad and rejoice; and the desert be made vocal with the praises of God!

UNION OF CHURCHES.

" The General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States," and " the General Synod of the Associate Reformed Church," during their recent sessions in this city, respec-tively adopted a plan to effect a union of the two branches of the Christian Church which they represented. As it was deemed proper by the Synod that the concurrence of its Presbyteries should be severally obtained, it was resolved by that Judicatory to submit the plan to them for their consideration. The Committee of communication from the Synod to the General Assembly, expressed their opinion that the Presbyteries would most cordially approve of the proceedings on the subject, and that at the next meeting of the Judicatories, the union would be consummated.

The plan provides for the transfer of the Library of the Associated Reformed Church's Theological Seminary, consisting of 4000 valuable volumes (which cost \$17,000) to the General Assembly's Theological Seminary at Princeton. A fund, being a donation towards the endowment of a Professorship of Biblical Literature in the Synod's Seminary, of which between 9 and 10,000 dollars have been expended for the use of the Seminary, is to be refunded by the united body, and held for the purpose contemplated by the donor, the interest of which is to be applied to the purposes of the General Assembly's Seminary, until a sufficient sum to endow the Professorship of Biblical Literature shall be acquired. Of the donation also there remains unexpended about \$1400 which is also to be transferred, & held in requisition as part of the Professorship fund. When therefore the Professorships originally designated by the General Assembly are endowed, measures will be taken to complete the endowment required by the Union.

The Presbyteries composing the Synod will severally connect themselves with such Synods of the Presbyterian Church as shall be most convenient, and consequently the General Synod of the Associate Reformed Church will be dis solved .- [Philadeiphia Rel. Remembrancer.

# REVIVALS OF RELIGION.

From the New-Haven Intelligencer, June 9. On the last Sabbath 26 were added to the Church under the pastoral care of Rev. Mr. Merwin, making in all about 300 added to the churches in thi the revival. We trust a goodly number more will still come over from the ranks of the enemy, and publicly avow their friendship for Him who has said, that "Whosoever shall confess me before men, him will I confess also before my Father which is in heaven."

Since the revival commenced in this city, it has extended to most of our neighboring towns. Out of 31 congregations in the county of New-Haven, at least 25 of them have been visited, during the past winter and spring, with the spe cial presence of the Lord; and it is estimated that within these limits, between 1500 and 2000 souls have been called, by his grace, out of nature's darkness into his marvellous light. In most of these places the work is still continued, and in some we hope it has but just commenced. And we are happy to add, that in this city, after a seeming suspension for a little while, the work is again assuming a promising appearance.

On the last Sabbath 117 were added to the Church of Christ in Farmington. Those who have never witnessed a scene like this, can hardly form an adequate idea of its solemnity. To see such a company of believers selected from the various classes of society, and many of them from the most respectable, publicly devoting themselves to God, is a spectacle at which an gels rejoice. In this band might be seen grandparents, parents and children. Children without their parents, and parents without their children. Husbands and wives-the wife without the husband, and the husband without the wife. In one instance five brothers and sisters-brothers without their sisters, and sisters without their brothers ;-one taken and another left. In contemplating such a scene, the mind is irresistably carried forward to the day of final retribution, when a separation must take place for elernity, if not by the same line of distinction; the time will soon come when these opportunities will be past-when the offers of mercy will be sealed up, & "He that is unjust let him be unjust still."
We learn that a revival has recently commenc-

ed in the District of Columbia. In Georgetown there is an uncommon excitement. A gentle-man, lately from that place, observed, that business was suspended, and the wharves almost deserted to attend religious meetings. In the city of Washington the prospect was encouraging. Is not this an object worthy of prayer, that God would pour out his Spirit on the capitol of our country, where the rulers of our na-

A revival has also commenced, we understand. stand, in Middlebury, Vt. & in the college. This is another object of prayer; and we hope Christians will not forget to pray for Yale College. The students have just returned from a vacation of four weeks, and there appears to be much animation and faith among them.

Methodists in England are now raising sub scriptions to convert the Gipsies to Christianity. In a late report they say, "We have been running to the ends of the earth to convert the heathen, while this body, which has subsisted a-mong us for 400 years, and now amounts to 18,000 souls, has escaped our notice."

Fulton Settlement, in New-York, containing only 13 famil's, has a Missionary Society formed in it, the subscription in which is \$25 per an-

Installed, at Claremont, over the Congregational Society, Rev. JONATRAN NEE.

BOSTON RECORDS

SATURDAY, JUNE 16. AMERICAN EDUCATION SOCIE Second Report of the Directors of the

Education Society of the Young Men of

presented at their Anniversary, Jan. 5. Perhaps an apology is due for the de has occurred in the notice of this able both to the Directors of so valuable an A and to our readers. It has not been laid this time, through any disrespect to its nor through inattention to the just claim public. But it reached us just at a point when it was utterly beyond our power to it as we wished, and accompany it wit remarks as might evince at least the dee rest we feel in the subject. We shall not able to the suspicion of indifference in r to the success of Education Societies. ges will bear ample testimony to the tance we attach to every effort which is for increasing the number of learned and ful Ministers; indeed the sensibilities of the lic have been so little roused, or so so asleep on this subject, that we should plead guilty to the charge of impatience somewhat of impertinent importunity, the the charge of indifference. It must be co ed, that we have been pained at the very to witness so morbid a state of feeling-pe we should say, so strong tendencies to a state, on a subject that more deeply the other, involves the welfare of our churcher the happiness of unborn generations. W the cause of these deplorable symptoms, we tend not to say. Facts, it would seem of cient number, and melancholly enough to ken no slight emotion in any pious heart, long been before the public; they have fo the foundation of many loud and solemn ap which have indeed produced a transient ex ment; but nothing compared with what a have been reasonably expected.

The object of Foreign Missions at this mo has acquired a pre-eminence among its kin objects, to which we would by no means is not entitled. It cannot be more popular it deserves to be. Almost our only wish regard to the Board of Commissioners for For Missions, is that their funds may increase tenfold ratio from year to year, till they i have formed solid establishments in every sionary field that opens before them. The they have already accomplished, puts all ca lation to the blush-and the good they 's accomplish if they had one tenth part of means at their disposal which the Amer church could farnish them, without feelin would be immensely greater.

But is there only one object that deserves

regard of the Christian public? Is there one point to be gained by Christian enterpi Are all our Domestic Missionary Societies, Education Societies to be doomed to lang ment and death, because we are just listen those claims of the heathen world that have so many centuries disregarded? Has the Ch tian public yet but one ear, one eye open to spiritual wants of a world lying in wicked We should be glad to learn how Mission are to be furnished for our western wildern for India-for Palestine-for the Islands of Sea, unless the churches assist in their e tion. Will it be said there are as many r to go as we have funds to support? Gran but every Missionary that leaves our shor a foreign land, leaves behind him a thousand ganized & destitute churches, who are strete forth their hands for help-and five millionso mortals beside, who are wandering like shee the mountains, having no shepherd. In the sent state of things, the missionaries we se broad, if not a dead loss, are yet a real loss too selves, unless we are induced to make efforts supply the deficiency by taking indigent you from their secular employments, and prepar them for the ministry. We cannot believe that own churches will be left to suffer, from the all tion they pay to the wants of the heathenthere is only one way to avoid suffering-and is to increase the number of competent min at home. Our churches will infallibly be a desolation, if they are not able to maintain pel ordinances; they cannot maintain them out competent ministers; and competent ters cannot be procured without extra exert But if our churches languish - if the prope of ministers continues to decrease, whence Foreign Mission Societies to derive their fun will not the heathen suffer in the end, as we ourselves? Every man that wishes to be in mental in causing the glory of God to cover earth as the waters do the seas, ought fore to exert himself to the utmost, for the cation of indigent and pious youth, if this not the most direct way to the attainment of

not be neglected without defeating his end. The revival of religion at home, is the foundation of all hope with regard to its reviv broad. The permanent & regular increase of Missionary Funds, must depend on the increa vital piety. Now we do not hold it to be a question, whether the increase of vital pi intimately connected with an evang clica laborious ministry. The point is set | led b a doubt. And if such a ministry fo il us, as avoidably will, without increas ed effort part of Education Societies, we see not he possible for our missionari es abroad to b supported.

end, we besitate not to say, it is a way that

With regard to the der rease of ministers, pared with the increas e of po pulation, the before us states Uat afte, all the efforts have been made, " our destitute populati stead of diminist sing, is increasing at the 250,000 souls a year, requiring 250 minist their instruction, in addition to those be manded, and that nearly 100 more are annually to occupy the places of those, death or some other cause, are remove their labors." The Report then proceeds

Now what does the history of the past a has been done toward a compliance with verwhelming requisition? Merely this, that who have been educated in our colleges-

Or a pulpit of wood .- See Nehem. viii 4.

nt acquired a competent education withir sid, and those who, having been eduforeign countries, have come to this, and the sacred office, have in all amounted 100 annually. While therefore little been done than to supply the vacanned by death and other causes, our on is increasing so fast, that the deficompetent religious teachers instead ill in four years be 7,000-in 8 years 12 years, 9,000 and so onward. Were which has brought our country nesent situation, stationary here, there some hope of recovering her by ordinabut the rapidity of her downward brouds her prospects almost in the gloom

or present purpose, the population of the Sales is estimated at 9,000,000. Let us the 3,000,000, who are favored with suides, by themselves for a moment, the means, which have furnished teachers, to continue in operation, afficient to supply the present and fuerations. Then could the energies of be waked up to one great and conand-could 2,000 young men be selectanied through their eight years study, gal expense of 200,000 dollars, -and be succeeded by two other classes number, who should be conducted their course in a similar manner, in twenin the deficiency of 6,000 teachers re-6,000,000 of people, might be suppliwhile this great work should be hasits accomplishment, another generation nie would have sprung up as ignorant adule as that which preceded it. Should waghly effort be renewed for another rears, other causes continuing to they have done for the last half cen-18,000 ministers more be thus preparsir sacred labors, still would there be a plation of 6,000,000 requiring the same le made for them.

my one say, if after educating 6,000 neat an expense of nearly 5,000,000 ain and again, the same work which as into action will remain before us, to do nothing?-Suppose, then, nolose. lustead of 6 millions, there will saly four years, 12 millions, -in forty an, 24 millions, -in seventy two years, as of people destitute of competent restraction within the bounds of the uhis prospect less distressing than the We should not, indeed, feel the mich the former supposition would imnus; but is there no satisfaction in exhe enlightening and meliorating influthe gospel to so many millions of our dizens !- have we no interest in the go and virtue of this largest portion of n under whose controlling power we blive-in whose destinies are involved estrights and privileges?

mestion arises, what causes have contrinost powerfully to the existing state of lisclear that the first settlers of Newd, are not chargeable with any derelicthey on their part. Religion was the first of their regard, and they were wise enough wthat it could not be maintained and prowithout a learned ministry. In 1629, when a had a population of 200, a church was orad with thirty members, over whom two sten and a ruling elder were ordained. In ix following years, churches were formed haileslown, Boston, Dorchester, Roxbury, Methows, Lynn, Ipswich and Newbury, and her town where ministers were immediately tiled. The first six towns in Connecticut, setbetween the years 1635 and 1639, enjoyed astant labors of ten able ministers-making isister to at most 270 souls.

the united colony of Connecticut and men contained 8 or 9,000 inhabitantsties, and 21 ministers, which is one to mouls, or eighty-five families. In some plantations thirty families support lister. The legislature took special care hew town should be founded without a rand the regular administration of gospel me. Every town of fifty families was reb support a good school for the instrucdren, and every county, a grammar -The population of New-England in mestimated at 100,000, and it contained

first ministers had been educated in and were men of the best talente, as offervent piety. Within ten years from lement of Boston, Harvard College was macipally for the purpose of educating in for the American churches. By the 10, it had sent out 229 graduates, who ministers-more than half the whole that had received the honors of College. line N. England contained 130 churches. College was founded in Connecticut, holding religion by a succession of learn-

st commencement was held in 1702, and attwelve years 46 received degrees, of vere ministers. At this time, viz. in enecticut had 17,000 inhabitants,-45 Settled ministers, and candidates of in those places where churches had med. There seems not to have been ich without a pastor. This colony he settled minister to every 400 perto so late 1760 when New-England Ma population of 500,000, embodied in thes and congregations, there was liv at one liberally educated minister to

10 years after our ancestors landed at the; cheerfully maintained at least ally educated minister to 800, and someto every 500 souls." And in 1760, eges collectively furnished 26 ministers. vere sufficient to supply the vacancies ing six to supply the increase of popula-At present all our Colleges do not send he than 50 ministers annually - and there nore than 1500 ministers living in the h who have received their education at n seminaries. This indeed is a most adeerease, and discovers a deep rooted be existing somewhere. 3,000,000 souls cended from the New-England settlers, need 3000 ministers; the average term ter's life is 30 years—this would make lucies annually to be supplied, beside vald be necessary to supply the increase dation. Thus for the supply of what may ad he" New England population" there be nearly 140 ministers annually eduour northern and western coileges, be whole U. States, comprising nine milthe are in fact but 50 annually educated. Port traces this evil to the French 1760, and to the American Revolu-The demoralizing effects of those conand not be denied, and are often adverted pions with tears. They removed many

of our cifizens from the restraints of civil lawsof religious instruction-of the Sabbath and the Sanctuary-and of course diminished their attachment to Christian ordinances. The pecuniary embarrassments occasioned by the Revolution, rendered the education of youth more difficult than before, and consequently more slow. The enlargement of territory and the rapid increase of population operated as powerful incentives to avarice, and it was no longer the object in settling new towns, to establish little Christian colonies, but to secure wealth & importance.

The Southern States were originally settled by a different race of men, and have never enjoyed a preached gospel to such an extent as it has been enjoyed in New-England. But we are bound to feel the same regard for them as for ourselves; we form but one family and have the same great interests. They must be supplied with religious teachers by the same means that are necessary to the supply of New-England, and then more than 420 ministers ought to be sent annually from our Colleges.

But is not the plan of educating pious youth by charity novel? Let the Report answer this question :--

So early as 1644, the Rev. Mr. Shepard of Cambridge wrote to the commissioners of the colenies and made known to them the wants of the students at Cambridge; - they presented the subject to the General Courts, by whose recommendation, contributions were made both in Massachusetts and Connecticut for their relief. When Mr. Hollis founded the Divinity professorship in Cambridge College, he also made provision, that ten pounds a year should be paid to several "pious young students, devoted to the work of the ministry." Funds have been accumulated for the support of indigent students in that university, the income of which is now said to be 5,000 dollars a year ; - a sum sufficient to afford all necessary aid according to the practice of the Education Society, to fifty beneficiaries.

Charity students, having in view the ministry, have been numerous for many years, and in almost all Christian countries. It is but recently that such efforts for doing good, have been sufficiently systematized, and all Christians, whether of smaller or greater resources, favored with the opportunity to contribute their assistance, but individuals have from time to time distinguished themselves and blessed the nations by calling out of obscurity, talents and piety, that have shed their lustre over the whole world. And sometimes, civil governments have interested themselves in the same object more to the credit of their motives, than of their judgment; for government-made ministers are not often found true to Him who had not where to fay his head. - The Report concludes in a style of simple and genuine eloquence :-

We confess, when we look at 6,000,000 of people, destitute of competent religious instruction requiring 6,000 young men to be educated at an expense of five millions of dollars for their supply, and reflect that these millions are increasing by hundreds of thousands annually, the prospect is indeed dark, yea, awfully portentous. If virtue be the basis of a republic, we may well trembie for our safety. Still there is one hope, He is faithful who has promised that the powers of darkness shall never prevail against his church .- Many favorable circumstances also forbid despair. Not only is the American Education Society pressing forward with energy in this great work, having now about 200 beneficiaries under its care, but many other societies for the same object have been formed in various parts of the United States. Several institutions also have been established, and large funds have been invested for the instruction and maintenance of theological students. Zeal and actithroughout community. The beneficial effects of what has been already done, begin to be seen and felt, and are kindling new and glowing ardour in the cause .- Do you ask for other motives? Listen to the earnest applications, which are unceasingly made from our western settlements to the various domestic missionary socie ties, for more missionaries, and to their consoling, yet distressing answers, we would send you more, but we cannot obtain them. Listen to the voice of that woman living in those desolate regions, who, on being told a minister was in the place, started from her seat, and clasping her hands, exclaimed with exultation, "I have not heard so good news since I came from New-En gland."-Imagine, if you can, the blissful happiness of that aged catholic woman in Illinois, who when she received a Bible from the hand of a missionary, said, " seventy-five years have I lived, and have never seen a Bible, -and now my eyes are blessed with what I have so long wished to see. Let the priest wrest it from me if he can. I will show it him, and clasp it in my arms, and press it to my bosom."

We trust that this Society, embodying so much intelligence and zeal, will hold on its way rejoicing! One thousand dollars, poured into the treasury of the parent society, within two years, by this body of young men, is no slight testimony to their diligence and liberality. It evinces that a generation is coming upon the stage, which will do no discredit to the memory of their fathers, when they shall have fallen asleep; and from which Zion may "expect great things," and realize great things hereafter. We can easily conceive that difficulties of no small magnitude will arise to provent the Directors from accomplishing all they wish-but we need not remind them, that faith and persevering prayer will conquer every thing. They have begun well-they will hold out-the novelty of their Institution, may have passed away-many minor motives that operated in the outset, on the minds of the members, may have ceased to operate ;but while the grand object remains the samewhile the consciousness of well doing shall be increased with every succeeding effort- and above all, while the promises of Jehovah remain to sustain and gladden the heart, it cannot be that this Society will fail.

Officers of the Society, for 1821. SAMUEL F. JARVIS, D. D. President; William P. Green, Esq. Vice President; Bradford Secretary ; Samuel Coverly, Jr. Sumner, Esq. Secretary; Samuel Coverly, Jr. Treasurer; Daniel Denny, jr. Jechonias Thayer, Benj. Searer, George W. Thayer, Samuel Stillman, David Hale, jr. Daniel Noyes, Directors.

CEYLON MISSION OPPOSED.

From the Missionary Herald of the present month, we learn that Mr. Garrett, who was sent out to Ceylen, more than a year ago, to form and superintend a printing estalishment in aid of our other missionary operations in that Island, had received peremptory orders from the government to take his departure within about three months from the time of his arrival. The Missionaries very earnestly and ably ig-

terceded with Sir Edward Barnes, the Lieut. Governor for his continuance, but without success. As it was impossible for Mr. Garrett to return directly to America from the Island, and the commencement of the rainy season rendered it very difficult to make arrangements for proceeding to any of the principal ports of India, the Missionaries very modestly requested that the time fixed for his departure might be extended two months .- This was refused !- The ground of the Lieut. Governor's unfriendly proceedings in this case, were simply that he" felt extremely averse to the admission of any foreign missionaries into Ceylon-that the British government were making laudable efforts for the diffusion of Christianity throughout the colonies"-and that American Christians had enough to do to rescue from barbarism the populous Indian tribes of their own Continent. The insufficiency of these grounds was very fully shown in a respectful memorial presented by the Missiquaries; and the encouragement they had formerly received from his Excellency Governor Brownrigg-the satisfaction he had uniformly expressed in their course of operations-and the assurance he had given them in 1816, that they might establish a printing press, were arguments they urged with great force, but with no happy effect.

Mr. Garrett was intending to proceed to Negapatam, a small port on the Coromandel Coast, not far distant, where he expected to be cordiaally received by Mr. Squance, a Wesleyan Missionary, till further arrangements could be made. Whether he would proceed thence to Bombay, or unite with one or two of the brethren at Ceylon, in forming a new station on the Coromandel Coast, was not determined at the date of the last communications. The latter measure would he adopted without hesitation, but for want of funds-a want which we are abundantly able, and ought to be equally ready to supply.

For ourselves, we have not the least doubt that this afflictive disappointment of the expectations of our Missionaries, will eventuate like all other wiles of the adversary, in the more rapid extension and the firmer establishment of the kingdom of Christ. Bold and daring opposition to missionary enterprise, never yet essentially impeded its progress-fears are to be entertained, only when the enemies of missions pretend to admire & cherish them-or when their friends become languid and indifferent to their prosperity. It is no bad omen to the ultimate event of the Mission at Ceylon, that Sir E. Barnes opposes it on no better ground than his personal aversion to foreigners! Our Missioparies will be rendered still more prayerful, and sensible of their dependence on God; and their friends in this country will be rendered more active, and less inclined to trust in the favor of men. Such an exhibition of weakness and depravity as i here made by the Lieut. Governor, dees not of. ten occur in these days of glory to the church; and it may serve to remind us of what we sometimes almost forget, viz. that self-denial, patience, and fortitude, are no less indispensable qualifications of Christian Missionaries and their friends, than the bolder virtues. The enemies of God and the church are not able with impunity to unsheath the sword and cut in pieces the armies of the Lord, but on every favorable opportunity they are not loth to show that they possess the same dispositions which were manifested by their predecessors, 1800 years ago.

Since our Missionaries at Ceylon have been frustrated in their plan of printing the Tamul Bible, by the arbitrary removal of their printer, they are anxious to be furnished by the American Bible Society with the requisite means for obtaining from Madras, a part of the edition now publishing there, under the care of Mr. Rhenius. It is presumed that this request will be readily complied with, and that the Funds of the Bible Society will be increased proportionably, by the liberality of all who love the cause of missions.

The New-York and New-England Tract Societies, have also the opportunity of extending their usefulness, by appropriating some portion of their funds to the publication of a few Tracts in the Tamel language for the use of the Cey-

lon Mission. The New-York Religious Tract Society, has printed 1,094,586 Tracts since its formation. nine years ago, of which, 307,960 were on hand at the date of the last Report, Feb. 21, 1821. A balance lay against the Society, of \$1289, 21. We have repeatedly expressed our surprise at the comparative small amount of contributions to objects of religious charity in New-York, and some other southern cities; when they so greatly exceed the towns of New-England in wealth and population. We are still unable to comprehend the cause. It is certainly to be regretted that a Tract Society, directed by men of so much enterprise, and located in the most favorable spot is the Union, for all the surposes of its formation, should be suffered to languish, and be subjected to such powerful discouragements at every step of its progress.

A donation of 1000 French Tracts, made by the above mentioned society, has been kindly received by his Excellency the President of Hayti; and he has promised to spare no pains to encourage the formation of a society for the purchase & distribution of Tracts at Pert au Prince.

It is proposed by the United Foreign Missionary Society, of New-York, to establish a separate fund for the education of Heathen youth, in those branches of science that may render them useful as missionaries, or as officers in civil government. It is also proposed that the youth supported by this fund, be sent to the Foreign Mission School, already established at Cornwall. This proposal originated in the circumstance that a leading man among the Tuscarora Indians, interpreter to the Mission, brought his grandson, a youth of seventeen, and committed him to the Board, with an earnest request that he might receive an education. Thus the Providence of God indicates the measures that are to be pursued for the conversion of the world to Christ-and happy are they who observe these things, for they shall understand. Wednesday Evening Letture.

June 20-In Park Street Church-Preachen Rev. DANIEL HUNTINGTON.

MISSIONARY MEETING.

On Tuesday evening a very full and respectable meeting of gentlemen favorable to the missionary cause, was holden at the Marlboro Hotel. The Hon William Reed was called to the chair, & Rev. William Jenks, officiated as Secretary.

The meeting was addressed by Jeremiah Evarts, Esq. Mr. E. A. Newton, Mr. William Ropes, Samuel Hubbard, Esq. Mr. Thomas Vose, and the Hon. Chairman. Mr. Newton and Mr. Ropes had resided in India, and seen the great utility of missions-and it was particularly gratifying to hear a decided testimony in favor of missions, and of the character of the American Missionaries in the East, borne by gentlemen who have resided in India, & whose standing in this commercial community is such, as to secure entire respect and confidence to their statements. The amount of \$1000 was subscribed in donations, and \$500 annually, by the gentlemen present. Addi-

tions to both amounts have since been made. Au adjourned meeting is to be holden at the large Hail in the Marlboro-Hotel, at half past 7. o'clock, on Tuesday evening next. Seats will be provided for Ladies, and all who feel an interest in the prosperity of missions have been invit-

AMERICAN COLONY IN AFRICA.

The Nautilus, which carried out the African Colony from Norfolk, has returned to that port. She sailed from Sierra Leone, April 26. The passage out was rough but all arrived in safety. Letters from Mr. Winn the agent, and others, speak highly of the climate and soil. Mr. Winn says " Africa is not such a frightful place as it has been represented to be. The heat is not greater than you have in summer, nor so great. The nights are pleasant, the atmosphere soft and dry, at least in comparison with what I expected." The coloured people have written in a manner expressing the highest satisfaction. The Norfolk Herald says "upon the whole, the intelligence is such as must be very gratifying to the friends of this good cause."-

The settlement at Sherbro' Island had been broken up in consequence of the Agents of the colony having failed in obtaining a title to the land for which they had contracted. The passengers which went out in the Nautilus had been provided for by the Agents with about 600 acres of land near Sierra Leone, and Mr. Winn remained there to superintend their interests. The settiement was not a permanent one, the laud being only rented. Mr. Bacon and Mr. Andrews had purchased a schooner and gone down to explore the coast, with a view of fixing upon a scite for a permanent settlement-Cape Coast was their object, if they could negotiate with the natives upon advantageous terms.

Captain Blair remained at Sierra Leone 42 days, and states that no wish was evinced by any of the passengers who went out with him, or by any of those previously there, to return-they were all perfectly satisfied with the change of country which they had made.

The number on the plantation which Mr. Winn had rented were a few upwards of fifty, among whom was the Rev. D. Coker, who was in perfect health. The few remaining at Sherbro', [which did not exceed eight or ten] would leave there in a few days, and proceed up to Sierra Leone, to join those upon the plantation.

The Directors of the Domestic Missionary Society of Massachusetts are reminded that their next annual meeting will be held in Haverbill, the fourth Tuesday in June, at 5 o'clock, P. M. T. SNELL, Sec'y.

Letters to the Missionaries and their Assitants on the SANDWICH ISLANDS, sent in season, free of expence, to the saie of J. Evarts, Esq. Treasurer of the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions, will be put on board of a vessel, which is expected to sail in the early part of July for those Islands.

Ordained at Worcester, May 23d, over the first Church and Parish, Rev. ARETIUS B. HULL. Introductory prayer by Rev. Dr. Puffer, of Berlin-Sermon by Rev. Mr. Taylor of N. Haven, (Con.)-Consecrating prayer by Rev. Mr. Tomlinson, of Oakham-Charge to the Passor elect by Rev. Mr. Avery of Holden-Right Hand of Fellowship by Rev. Mr. Nelson, of Leicester-Address to the Church and Society by Rev. Mr. Snell, of N. Brookfield-Concluding Prayer by Rev. Mr. Stone, of Brookfield. The venerable Dr. Sumper, of Shrewsbury, presided in the Ordaining Council. The unusual degree of unanimity which has attended all the proceedings of the First Parish in relation to the settlement of Mr. Hull, is worthy of commendation.

On Friday, June 1st, Garcia and Castiliano the murderers of Lagourdette, were executed at Portsmouth, Vir. They were attended by the Clergy of various denominations, but with obstinute hardness they turned a deaf ear to the threatenings and hopes of the gospel. With entire unconcern, apparently, they were sent into eternity. Castiliano with his last words attempt ed to make the spectators believe him innocent Garcia during his confinement drew up a voluminous statement, and Castiliano left several manuscripts, both of which are in the press and to be published together .-

FOREIGN NEWS.

FROM MEXICO. Accounts from Mexico received at New-York tate that a battle has been fought near Puebla. between the Royal troops, amounting to 1200 and the Insurgents, amounting to nearly 4000. After three days fighting the lasurgents were defeated with the loss of 200 men killed and 400 wounded .-

Capt. Basset, of the brig Laura Ann, arrived

at New-York from Buenos Ayres, brings intelligence from that place to April 22d. At that ime great agitation prevailed at Buenos Ayres. It was reported that there had been a revolution at Cordova. A violent civil war was going on between the provinces of St. Jago de Listero, Tu cuman, and Salta. Military movements of considetable bodies of troops were going on. American seamen were daily impressed, to man the flotilla fitting out against Gen. Ramirez. These impressments were attended with cruelty in some instances. A part at least of the men impressed had been given up at the representa tion of Mr. Forbes the American Agent, but there was no certainty that the same measures would not be repeated. 'The Governor had issued a proclamation which had been repeated by the Junta, requiring all foreigners who had resided in the country two years to take up arms. This had brought on a pretty severe correspondence between the Bratish naval officers at that place, and the Governor. Foreigners were permitted to leave the country if they chose, and some British merchants were preparing to do so. A few days before Capt. B. sailed, Puyerredon, for several years director of the United Provinces, landed from Montevideo after a banishment of about twelve months. He has a strong party, and it was expected that he would be again placed at the head of the gov-ernment. Rodriguez had lately declared him-self by proclamation, Governor for three years. Artigas had lost his influence and fied to Para-

guay, where he had been made a prisoner by the Governor of the place. Ramirez, who now at the head of the same party, was collecting forces in the interior, with the avowed object of attacking Buenos Ayres. Gen. Carrera was in the interior collecting forces, with the suppos. ed object of joining Ramirez, and had cut off the communication with Chili. Both have strong parties in Buenos Ayres. O'Higgins, the Director of Chili, was considerered as the tool of Gen. San Martin, whose party have in their possession all the arms of the country. These are the statements of Capt. Bassett .-

DEATHS. In this town, Sarah S. Welch, and Matilda D. Welch, daughters of Mr. Benj. Welch; Mrs.

Mary Darling, aged 59; Mr Hezekiah Hudson, jun. aged 28; Mr John Martin, aged 26. In Waltham, Mrs Eunice, wife of Mr Cyrel French, aged 24.—In Danvers, Lieut. Col. Wm. Pool .- In Salem, Mr Samuel Kemp; Mrs Elizabeth Harrison, wife of Samuel H. aged 38.

—In Billerica, Mr John Skilton, aged 76.—In Stow, Caroline A. Hesmer, aged 16, daughter of Rufus Hosmer, Esq.-In Townsend, Walter Hastings, Esq. Counsellor at Law, aged 42 .- In Wilton, Dea. Jacob Putman, aged 73 .- In Swanzes, N. H. Mr Thomas Cresson, aged XCVIII.-In Norfolk, Va. Dr. John T. Barraud, aged 34 .-At Mobile Point, Jonathan Woodward, Esq. of Boston, aged 32 .- At sea, Capt. William Finney, aged 30, master of brig Independence, of Plymouth .- At Trindad, William T. Smith, Esq. formerly of New-York, shot dead in the street by one Tyler .- At Charlestown, Mr John Tainter, aged 51. - At Gloucester, Mrs Betsey Millet, wife of Mr Joseph M. aged 45 .- At New-Bedford, Capt. Oliver C. Perry, aged 30 .- At Northampton, Mr David Adams, aged 36 .- At sea, on his passage home from Cauton to Baston, Capt. James Hale, of Castine, aged 28, master of brig Ann.— At Wiscasset, Capt. Josiah Goddard, aged 63 .-At Boxton, Rev. Paul Coffin, D. D. Pastor of the First Congregational Church in that place, aged 85.—At St. Thomas, Mr Ebenezer Clap, of Dorchester, aged 39.—At Barnstable, Mrs Olive Parker, aged 33, wife of Mr David Parker, of Boston, and daughter of Major Andrew Garrett. of Barnstable. - In Princeton, Mass. April 17th, Mr. Stephen Brigham, aged 86 .- At Falmouth, Mass, on the 5th, inst. much lamented Charles Sanford Esq. Post Master, in the 31st year of his age .- In Bethel, Dea. Ezra Twitchell, aged 75. At Hanover the 3d inst. Ruth Baily, widow of

the late Col. John Baily aged 91. She has left one hundred descendants now living .- At Newton, Caroline, daughter of Mr. Joseph Davenport, aged 10 years.

NEW MUSIC.

JUST received at the FRANKLIN MUSIC WAREHOUSE, Belles without Beaux, a new Overture-Heart's Ease, a Rondo-Non Mi Ricordo-Patrick O'dhermot-' Tis Thee I Love-My Native Land Good Night-Oh Cruel-Anid Lang Syne-Haste Away Idle Time-with a variety of new Waltzes, Marches, Dances, Rondos, &c .- Challener's Instructions for Piano Forte-Nicholson's beauties for the Flute, and Wragg's Flute Preceptor, an improved edition.

Mr. Shaw's new Song. "THE POLAR STAR," is in press, and will be published this week. Also, a few of Burnett's Copying Pens for Music, with the apparatus and directions.

A second Edition, of the Second Volume of THE EUTERPEIAD, OF MUSICAL INTELLIGENCER. AND LADIES' GAZETTE, is now in press new subscribers, will in a few days be furnished with complete setts. J. R. PARKER, No. 2 Milk-st. ALL AND SEE .- R. P. & C. Williams,

Cornhill-square, offer for sale, an elegant London Pocket Edition of Watt's Psalms and Hymns, in Pecket Book style, morocco gilt E. various colors, each as red, blue, purple, yellow, &c-- price only \$1,25. A discount will be made to those who buy to sell again.
R. P. & C. W. have a great variety of Law,
Medical, Agricultural and Miscellaneous Books,

which they offer on the most liberal terms. Any Book called for not on hand, will be obtained if in town.

Manual for Episcopal Sunday Schools. JUST Published, by Joseph W. Ingraham, Franklin Avenue, Boston. "A Manual for the Use of Children in Episcopal Sunday Schools, containing an Address to the Scholars, Prayers, Hymns, the Catechism of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and an Explanation of the Festivals and Fasts of the Church, &c. compiled by the Superintendent of the Salem Street Sunday School, Boston." Price \$12,50 per hundred,

183-4 cents single. For a notice of this work, see the Gospel Ad-

vocate, for May, 1821. RECOMMENDATIONS. We the subscribers have examined a Manual for Kpiscopal Sunday Schools, compiled by the Superintendent of the Salem Street Sunday School, and with great pleasure recommend it as a work calculated to be of much service in the religious education of young children.
SAMUEL F. JARVIS, D. D. Rector St. Paul's Ch.

ASA EATON, Rector of Christ Church.

TO THE COMPILER. DEAR SIR,-I have perused with much interest and pleasure your "Mapual for the use of the Scholars of the Salem Street Sunday School,18 under your superintendence. Viewing this as a seasonable publication, and well calculated to promote the moral and religious improvement of our children and youth, it is my earnest wish that it may be introduced into all our Eunday Schools, and find its way into every family. May it be accompanied by the blessing of Him, who, in the days of his flesh, said, Suffer the little children to come unto me, and forbid them not; for of such is the kingdom of heaven. Yours, &c.

A FRIEND OF THE RISING GENERATION

Manual for Sunday Schools. Also just published, as above, "A Manual for the use of Children in Sunday Schools, containing An Addres to the Scholars, Dr. Watts' Serious Address to Children and Youth, Prayers, Hymns, &c. compiled by the Superintendent of the Salem Street Sunday School, Boston." Price \$12,50 per hundred, and 18 3-4 cents single. For a notice of this work see Boston Recorder,

of March 3, 1821. RECOMMENDATIONS.

From Rev. Sereno E. Dwight, of Boston. The Subscriber having examined " A Manual for the use of the Scholars of Sunday Schools, compiled by the Superintendent of the Salem Street Sunday School, Boston," cheerfully recommends it as a work inculcating the best principles and practices, and calculated to be useful in those Sunday Schools into which it may be SERENO E. DWIGHT.

From Rev. William Jenks, of Boston.
The little book, entitled, "A Manual for the use of the Scholars of Sunday Schools." appears well calculated to lead the minds of the young to virtue and piety, and as such la cordially rocommended to the use of Instructers, by

WILLIAM JERKS. From Rev. Dr. Baldwin, of Boston.
I have perused the Munuel for the use of Sunday Schools, with some degree of attention. sentiments appear in general to be evangelical. and well calculated to impress the youthful mind with a reverence for God and religion. I sincerely hope it may prove useful wherever it may

The above work is also for sale at the bookatores of Cummings and Hilliard, Richardson and Lord, Lincoln and Edmands, S. T. Armstrong, Charles Ewer, and R, P. & C. Williams, Bretgn.

#### POET'S CORNER.

From the Charleston Courier. GOD IS NIGH! Addressed to a friend during a Thunder Storm. Hear'st thou the awful Thunders'roll? See'st thou the Lightnings fly ? Does the dark storm appal thy soul? Remember! God is nigh. Ah! fear not then the dread alarm: His ever watchful eye Will keep thee safe from ev'ry harm-

Remember! God is nigh. And should the storms of life assail Thy heart, thy faith to try! Oh! let them not, my friend, prevail-Remember! God is nigh. Cheerless has been my chequer'd day; I've known no azure sky;

This hope alone, my only stay-I know that God is nigh! SUBLIMITY.

superior to any thing he ever met with, in the English language :-When Egypt's king God's chosen tribes pursued, In chrystal walls the admiring waters stood; When thro' the desert wild they took their way, The rocks relented and pour'd forth a sea: What limits can Almighty goodness know, When seas can harden, and when rocks can flow

The six following lines on the Children of Is-

rael's departure out of Egypt, Mr. Pope thought

#### MISCELLANY.

## THE DEDHAM CASE.

For the Boston Recorder. Mr. Willis-I have perused your abridgement of the important Dedham Case. The novelty and character of that decision, will probably induce a review, commensurate with its merits. But as abstracts of the report have, through different channels, been conveyed to the public, it seems proper that, without anticipating a regular analysis, which may require political science, and professional acumen, a plain practical view of the outlines should follow the abstracts.

The first and most obvious trait of the case, as stated, is its intelligible, simple, distinct meaning. Property has been given to a church. A church has been known as a body corporate, from the landing of our forefathers at Plymouth; was recognized and confirmed as such by the earliest statutes; was, by the law of 1754, which the Court copiously quote, expressly empowered, among other things, " to call the deacons to account" respecting their property, "and if need be, commence and prosecute any suits touching the same." It is not shown that at any time, churches have failed to hold property, nor that the right has been doubted. Towns have uniformly been known as corporations, but totally distinct from churches. Towns also have uniformly acted as parfshes, where parishes have not been established as separate corporations, distinct from towns or churches; and that one of these corporations would ever have been mistaken for another, is wholly gratuitous and imaginary. But, however unexpected, a decision is past, that, "although the grants of land and donations to the church in Dedham purport to be for the use of the church, yet the church could not hold the same, never having been incorporated as a body politic; and that said grants and donations must be considered as made for the whole town of Dedham. Churches, as such, have no power but that of Divine worship, and church order and discipline."

Thus situated, this is a case of unusual impression. The dispute respects the right to certain grants and donations; the grants and donations " purport" to be one thing, and " must be considered" a different and opposite thing. We have therefore only to hear and learn how the Court make out their result. I shall merely touch the points, and refer to the report for their correctness.

As to some of the grants, the court observe that there cannot be a question, but that the church was to hold the same for the support of a minister. Be it so. But that the church shall have no voice, nor influence, nor corporate existence, as respects the application of them to this object, does not so clearly appear.

The court admit that there may unloubtedly be donations to a church, which "ought to be considered" for the church's use. If this concession was educed by nefessary "purport," the position that in other cases of the same " purport," donaions must be for the use of the parish, will necessarily fail. If grants by deed of lands o churches, are for the town, it is better to retract the concession that donations may be to the use of the church.

A parish is not that into which a church s.changed, by transmutation; the church has never ceased to exist; the parish is in no case the successor of the church, but us a parish, takes distinctly, the place of he town, and the town only, in cases where rom a different organization the town ceases to act as a parish.

The court are pleased to intimate that he place in which the church wershipped s to have a leading operation to determine hat a gift made to it, must be to the socity. This position is unsupported. No eason is seen why it is true. And other positions assumed in the report are fatal o this. In the same town of Dedham are low other societies. Then Mr. Lamson s not entitled to the avails of these donaions, because he officiates in the same lace. An addition of territory might have

een made to Dedham; all the old terriory of Dedham might have been formed nto new parishes; and the "residuum," or old parish, might now be wholly on the new territory; yet by the express terms of the report, Mr. Lamson would, in such ase, be entitled to the benefit of the dointions, because he would be the minister of the same ald parish, though in a differ-

ent place. In the reasoning by which the honorale court brought themselves to their reult, we have a right to expect pertinence ad precision. But why are we, in a ju-

dicial report called to witness as impas-sioned, vivid display of the horrors, persecution, and rebellion consequent upon the appointment of a minister for the church and society, by the church alone? Does a denial that the Governor can appoint Judges without the Council, imply that the Council can appoint without him, and in spite of him? Does the provision that the people shall choose their own Senators and Representatives, from the necessity of the case, preclude the right of each House to be the Judge of the election of its own members? Towns have the exclusive right of employing their own school-masters; but if the examiner find a candidate incompetent, and refuse him the requisite certificate, was it ever discovered that by reason of this refusal, he, from the necessity of the case, becomes the lawful schoolmaster? And, a multo fortiore, does the right of a church to interpose a negative to the ordaining of a pastor over themselves imply that the church has " the power of electing the minister without the concurrence of the people?" or even that the people have not the power of electing a minister for the society? To urge, as subversive of a general rule, a contingency so extreme, is surely an extreme singularity. This view of the case seems to be an assumption that church & society shall act only in conflict, and conflict shall issue only in unconditional subsubmission or extermination. Let those vindicate this ground who assume it; it is not ours. How did it pertain to the case before

the court, in which the Dedham church had put in issue the question of their corporate rights, to remind them that they were a minority of the society? The assent of the church to the ordination of Mr. L. is pronounced wholly idle and inoperative, amounting to nothing. Why then is the withholding of their assent so prominently brought into the case, as a plea of necessity, to excuse the society for proceeding alone, and to silence the church from complaining, when according to the decision, the assent would have been wholly insignificant? and it would have been an arrant insult for the society to ask it. and arrant folly for the church to offer it. What point of law is illumined by the admonition that "those are mistaken, who imagine that the cause of religion would be served, public worship promoted, or religion and morality more extensively encouraged, by restoring to the churches, the power which they once enjoyed, of electing the minister without the consent of the people or congregation, or by the aid of a council which they might select to sanction their choice." It is not easy to see why so stern a reprehension, applying to nobody, should be thus introduced, unless to evince the sincerity and zeal of the court in their decision; which could hardly be necessary, the whole tenor of the report being abundant for this purpose. A hypothesis on the other side of the question, might be presented, not more remote from pertinence and verisimilitude; those are mistaken who imagine that the cause of religion would be served, &c. by vesting in parisher or congregations, the exclusive right of appointing a pastor over the church, with authority to call meetings of the church, and exercise over the members the whole pastoral office; to superintend their covenant duties; to administer to them the holy ordinances; to be their comforter in affliction, their supporter in the hour of death, and their guide to Heaven; though he may be a man without religion, without a profession of it, in bitter hostility with the church, bent on all means to degrade them, and to turn into ridicule their faith in their Divine Redeemer. It does not become me to say, of Churches, in the decisive language which the court apply to the people, "they never would consent;" but I may say with humility; and, if the answer is doubtful, I must say with trembling of heart, is such the law of our land?

The above enquiries are made with seriousness and gravity, from respect to the tribunal to whose opinions they apply. Had these opinions appeared in burlesque, they would not have occupied our attention; but as they form so great a part of the report, though they may be foreign to the point, it seems proper to mention them, to guard against an implication that they in fact describe the sentiments of all who do not coincide in the opinions, an implication which it would be unjust to the court to suppose they intended.

The court allude to Chief Justice Parsons, and " agreed with him in estimating highly these ancient usages." Why that should be estimated highly, which is merely vain and nugatory, is not perceived. The late Chief Justice in delivering the opinion of the court, from which it does not appear that the present Chief Justice dissented, (Burr vs Sandwich) decides that, to be an inhabitant of the parish is not a necessary qualification of a church member; an opinion which if just, and it is as just as the practice is uniform, prostrates from the root the principle assumed by this court, that those who withdraw from the society cease to be members of that particular church. Judge Parsons observes that the minister of the parish is admitted a member of the church; this court declare that by virtue of the act of ordaining him over the parish, he becomes the minister of the church: then while the subordinate relation depends on the church's assent, the superior relation may be imposed on them. We are informed that " one religious society in the state, from its foundation has departed from the general usage." If before publishing their broad adjudication the court had more fully informed themselves, not only of the ancient usages, but of the rights and rules of other societies and shurches, it might have been well. One decision, in a Sandwich case, is said in a note to have

the dismissal of Mr. Burr, by the parish was " regular and lawful," though he and the church dissented, it affords no proof that the settlement of Mr. L. was lawful. No one need be told that a relation or contract, as a public affair, or a marriage, may be dissolved by an authority different from that by which it must have been formed. Probably it will not be maintained that Mr. L. could have been ordained by the parish against his own consent. The host of authorities mustered against general usage is not in " long array."

On the payment of taxes to a minister not elected by the people, the court have decided a case not before them, and appealed to the people. The course is unusual, but the tribunal is competent. Another question, whether churches and parishes who do not agree to depart from ancient usages, shall have liberty to retain them, a people wise to discern their rights, religious and civil, and just to appreciate them, can answer without an amendment of the constitution.

That the parish who pay a minister should be the party contracting the payment, is a dictate of common understanding

and common justice, known to every one. That the parish have a right to contract with a minister for a limited time, or for life, has probably never been questioned.

That ordination is nothing but setting apart, installing, or inaugurating one who has been chosen to the office, and tendering him the fellowship of the churches, who assist at the ceremony; that it is but a carrying by the people of their choice into effect; that no power spiritual or temporal is conferred by the imposition of hands : and yet, by virtue of the act of ordination over the parish only, a man becomes the lawful minister of the church, has a right to call church meetings, and do all other acts pertaining to settled and ordained ministers ;-all this taken together it is not wise to attempt to understand. It is not the imposition of hands which confers power; it is the act of ordaining: the distinction is occult, but the difference is represented to be prodigious.

That a church has no legal existence, except when it happens to have property, and even then exists as a fictitious entity, for the sole equitable purpose of holding its own property in trust for the parish, may be gathered from observations interspersed among the facts stated, and statutes cited : but facts & statutes do not support observations, merely by juxtaposition.

The question whether, when a donation is made to a church, the church has a right to enjoy it; the late opinion of the court; the letter and spirit of the grants considered in that opinion; the letter and spirit of the law; the language and understanding of the parties to those grants; the natural import of the subject; and the paramount authority, the popular sense and meaning, are before an intelligent public, who will not fail to consider, to compare, and to judge. It is hoped the court will have opportunity to reconsider the decision, if that course is better than a correction by the Legislature.

# DOMESTIC MISSIONS.

Danvers, May 22d, 1821. Rev. and dear Pastor, "The Female Societo aid Domestic Missio ceptance of the enclosed thirty dollars, to constitute you a member for life of the Massachusetts Missionary Society. Ann F. Osborn, Sec'y. Rev. SAMUEL WALKER.

Danvers, May 22, 1821. My dear Friend,-Your official note of this day, enclosing thirty dollars from the Female Society to aid Domestic Missions, and requesting my acceptance of the same, to constitute me a Life Member of the Massachusetts Missionary Society, has come to hand. I beg you to present to the Ladies of the Society, my sincere thanks for this testimony of their affection. No expression of their friendship, could have been more seasonable or acceptable. I value it much, as a proof of your love and respect for me; but more as evidence of your attachment to the cause of Christ. And I would cherish the hope that your example in this instance will be followed by many.

The office I have sustained in the Massachusetts Missionary Society, for several years, has brought me acquainted with the spiritual wants of multitudes within the bounds of New-England. And I mourn that so many thousands, in this highly favored part of our land, are hungry for the bread of life, & have none to feed them; that the cry for help from so many towns in our new settlements, has been heard. without having it in our power to send them relief. I am deeply convinced that our Domestic Missions do not receive the attention they ought, and I earnestly pray, they may soon experience that charitable aid from our churches to which they are entitled ; that ministers will, with more particularity and frequency, bring the cause of the destitute in these States, before their people, and our religious journals, with renewed zeal, urge on the conscience and heart of their readers, the duty of bending their support to this important branch of Christian benevolence.

With respectful and affectionate salutations, S. WALKER. Miss Ann F. Osborn, Secretary F. S. D. M.

# DEATHS.

In Boston, on the 27th ult. after a long and distressing illness, which she bore with a Christian fortitude, Mrs. Mehitable Millet, the consort of Capt. Abraham Millet. As a wife, she was a pious, affectionate, industrious, prudent woman .- As a Parent, a kind and faithful mother. As a Philanthropist, she was a friend to the poor, and more particularly to orphan children. She was beloved by her family, respected by her friends. As a Christian, she was a firm and sincere believer, in that pure and holy doctrine, which Jesus Christ taught his followers, when he was upon earth. - She took her departure from this world in the way that every Christian would wish to depart, with a full assurance of everlast-

ing happiness beyond the grave. [Communicated At Wrentham, May 7th, Mrs. Sebilia, wife of Mr. Moses Mann, in the 78th year of her age .--She possessed an amiable disposition, great strength and perspicuity of mind-was distinguished for humility meekness and piety-had very correct views of, and a firm belief in the doctrines of grace-was a professor of religion for more than thirty years, during which time, in her life and conversation, she adorned her christian profession. Her bereaved husband, is left to mourn the loss of an affectionate companion, her children a kind mother, the church a valuable and distinguished member, and the sabeen substantially like the present. If | ciety a praying soul .- [Communicated.

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Rev. N. Sprague's Chh. & So. Keene, N. H. 13 10 Proceeds of Jewellry, In a letter from Brattleboro', Vt. Monthly Concert, Putney, Vt. A few young ladies in Brewster. Wm. Ropes, Boston, \$50-A Friend, 500 550 A small So. of gentlemen, Townsend, Ma. A gentleman of Augusta, Geo. Female friend to the cause, Geo. Ladies in Bucks County, Geo. Female friend Waynsboro', Geo. Avails of a Physician's practice in Norfolk Co. on a certain number of Sabbaths.\* Monthly Concert, Medway, West Parish Rev. Mr. Prentiss, Northwood, N. H. Ed. & For. Mission So. Alstead, N. H. A young lady, Norway, Fem. Benev. Society, Milford, Mass. Friend in Sterling Individuals in Westborough, Mass.

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Also 2 pair Footings, In a letter from Cornish, N. H.t Hillsboro', N. H. Bible & Char. So. Phebe Everett, Fishskill, N. Y. Two friends, Johnston's settlement, N. Y. From Salem by Rev. Mr. Cornelius, A few females in Westminster, Mass, 11 50 Aiso 2 1-2 yards woollen cloth for taloons; Dimoty; 1 pair Nankin, Woollen cloth and flannel for Vests; 3 yds. Shirting, 5 pair footings, 3 neck hkfs.

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\* The above donation was enclosed in the following Note: SIR-Since the employment of Physicians must

necessarily be pursued on the Sabbath, as well as on other days of the week; and as this is a day particularly consecrated to the service of God; I have thought it the duty of men in that profession to devote a part of their earnings on this holy day to some of the Institutions for the cause of Zion. The avails of my practice for a certain number of Sabbaths has been three dollars; which I transmit to you, with the desire that it may be applied to the use of the Education So-Yours, &c.

† The following letter inclosed this donation : " CORNISH, MAY 9, 1821.

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Quincy, June 6, 1801. Quincy, June 6, 1821.